



Board of Trustees discusses advancement committee

Dustin Fox
Staff Reporter

On January 25, Jacksonville State University's Board of Trustees held its first meeting of the new year at the Houston Cole Library.

Following an invocation from President Beehler, each committee spoke of its current affairs and plans for the year.

A new committee dedicated to the advancement of the university was introduced. The advancement committee will work with fundraising, marketing and alumni associations

to recruit new students and help increase enrollment.

President Beehler reported that the university has seen a 125 percent increase in freshmen applications for fall 2016, with over 4,400 admission applications. Transfer enrollment has also seen a 79 percent increase. Beehler credited the recent football playoffs for helping with the increase in interest in Jacksonville State.

The previous football season generated \$58.7 million in earned media coverage due to the coverage of the football team during the race for the national championship.

Beehler and Trustee Thomas De-drick, Sr. spoke on the academic performance of JSU's athletes. The average GPA of all athletes at Jacksonville is 3.1, with 14 of 16 campus sports reporting GPAs above 3.0 among all of their students.

During the meeting, SGA president Tyler Brown announced the plastic and mixed paper recycling program that will begin on campus, with drop-off locations at six university buildings.

The board recognized the Nursing

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Presidential campaign trail heats up between both parties

Alexander Cooper
Staff Reporter

With the primaries for the next presidential election growing increasingly closer, candidates in both parties have experienced several twists and turns in their race to the oval office.

Perhaps one of the most important developments to occur this month in any of the candidates campaigns was Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin's endorsement of Republican front-runner Donald Trump.

Trump invited Palin to join him on-stage at a rally in Iowa; she announced her support for the presidential hopeful whom she was quick to name as "the next President of the United States."

No stranger to the political arena, Palin herself ran for vice president in 2008 alongside John McCain in his presidential campaign.

She praised Trump for his business experience and skill at negotiation, calling him the one candidate who has proven to be a master at "the art of the deal."

She also called for an enthusiastic "hallelujah" when mentioning that Trump was a member of the private sector and not a politician.

She argued that Trump's experience with business practices, such as balancing budgets, would be invaluable to a U.S. president.

Palin also expressed her belief that Trump would be a strong military leader, and would allow U.S. soldiers to "kick ISIS's ass."

Throughout her endorsement she

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LEFT: Lecturer Marylin Bougere and instructor Sheron Deweese show how the nursing program's new simulation lab works on Monday at the lab's open house event.

JSU Nursing holds open house for new simulation lab

Emily Kirby
Staff Reporter

The JSU College of Nursing held their open house for the new Simulation Center and Alacare Home Health and Hospice Suite at the Brookstone Physician Center on Monday.

Six computerized medical dummies represent various situations and display medical symptoms to better help the nursing students learn how to treat different ailments.

The sim baby allows for the stu-

dents to administer IVs and use a defibrillator on an infant.

The simulated baby's mouth will also turn blue, signifying a common condition in infants called Cyanosis.

The lack of oxygen being carried to the red blood cells causes the T-zone of the face (the nose, mouth, and eyes) to attain a blueish tint.

According to the administrating staff, blue chalk used to be used to mimic the condition before having the computerized dummies. The softness of the dummy's head gives

inclinations to whether or not the baby has swelling of the brain, as well.

An adult male, appearing to have burns to most of the upper abdomen, allows for students to open the patient's airways and if needed, to determine the percentage of burns to the body.

Student will then use that percentage to conclude how much fluids need to be administered for the burn victim in a 24-hour time period.

The male responds with different

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DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT

Applied engineering allows students to compete nationally

Kara Morgan Burgess
Staff Reporter

JSU's applied engineering program hosts the Alabama State VEX Robotics Championship and allows students to participate.

According to Jacksonville State University's website, "engineering programs tend to teach the student to develop the latest technology. The Applied Engineering programs at JSU train students to implement, or apply, the latest technology for today's companies. For students interested in pursuing traditional engineering degrees, JSU offers a two-

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also talked about her respect for Trump’s shaking up of “the status quo,” and argued that he knows “the main thing,” which she described as being able to protect Americans economically and militarily.

However, Trump hasn’t been the only GOP candidate in the news lately. Texas Senator Ted Cruz recently drew fire from some of the comments that he made concerning the state of New York.

Cruz criticized Donald Trump for having “New York values.” Cruz later

elaborated on what he meant when questioned at the sixth republican debate. He stated that New York City views are socially liberal, and include pro-abortion and pro-gay marriage stances.

He supported his statement by arguing that “not a lot of conservatives come out of Manhattan.”

This provoked a response from Trump during the debate, and the anger of many New Yorkers, many of whom expressed their disapproval in articles and on social media sites.

According to the New

York Times, #newyorkvalues began trending on Twitter with an estimated more than 25,000 people weighing in on Cruz’s comments.

Cruz later issued an apology to the “millions of New Yorkers who have been let down by liberal politicians in that state,” but has since aired a campaign ad that continues to echo his concerns over Donald Trump’s “New York values.”

The presidential candidates in the Democratic Party have also been in the spotlight throughout the past few weeks.

While former Secretary of State Hilary Clinton has been widely considered to be the front-runner among the Democratic candidates, a recent CNN poll shows her lead over Senator Bernie Sanders of Vermont is beginning to shrink.

According to CNN’s most recent poll, Clinton is at around 52 percent while Sanders is sitting at around 38 percent. The two candidates recently presented their final appeals to Iowa voters alongside fellow candidate Martin O’Malley at a CNN-

hosted town hall in the state.

The three addressed various issues including foreign policy and inequality. One of the big takeaways from the town hall was Bernie Sander’s statement that “we will raise taxes” in order to pay for health care.

The candidates in both parties are just beginning to gear up for the primaries and caucuses that will be taking place in the coming months, and there are likely many more changes in store for the political landscape before the elections take place.

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phrases that may help the student in figuring out what the patient’s needs include.

There is an adult male defibrillator and CPR dummy whose heart monitor displays the contrast of how much pressure students apply and how much is needed to help the patient’s heart rate.

Sim junior, a dummy depicting a child of about five years old, gives the students the ability to listen to the lungs of a patient suffering from severe asthma.

This lets them monitor its oxygen levels, blood pressure and administer IVs and breathing treatments to the small child.

Lucina, or Lucy, is a simulated pregnant

woman that has gone into labor and is having frequent contractions and eventually gives birth to an infant dummy, attached with an umbilical cord and placenta.

The students measure the dilation of the cervix, deliver the baby by hand, and comfort the woman through the labor as she screams from labor pains.

The name Lucina comes from the Roman goddess of childbirth.

Gabbie Arrington, a fourth semester nursing student and senior at JSU said, “My favorite section of the lab is probably the mom sim. She can actually simulate labor and deliver a little sim baby. Plus, she can

have all the problems that could arise during labor and delivery. She’s just really impressive to me.”

The sixth and final dummy is the only one in the area to depict an ethnically diverse patient.

Being the victim of a car accident, the simulation dummy displays bruises from a seat belt and also contains obstructions in the lungs.

The students must decide if a chest tube is necessary to remove the blood filling into the lung.

The chest tube drains visible red liquid from the dummy. Having an African American simulated patient allows students to learn the differences in the afflic-

tions and bruising to the skin on different types of coloration.

The program is using simulation dummies provided by the following companies, CAE Healthcare and Laerdal.

Christie Shelton, dean of nursing, was asked what the new simulation lab means for the JSU Nursing program as a whole. She said, “It gives the future nursing and respiratory students the opportunity to practice skills and identify interventions in a safe setting. Through this opportunity, critical thinking skills will increase as well as critical decision making. [Students] learn and discuss what went right and what went wrong.”

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lab, which features a complete operating room to allow more hands on learning to students.

Chandni Khadka was also introduced at the meeting as the new director of the International House.

A graduate studies roundtable was announced, which will meet to discuss ways to re-energize and grow the graduate programs

offered at JSU.

With the creation of the new advancement committee, increase in enrollment and other changes and programs on campus, Beehler was optimistic about the growth of the university, saying that “although JSU may be a hidden gem, we are working to be noticed more and more every day.”



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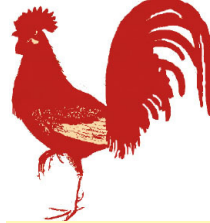


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*Sincerely,
Still Smoking*

Dear Still Smoking,

This is probably obvious, but you will not be able to quit unless you actually really want to. Some people find success in quitting smoking by adopting an exercise routine. Perhaps if you try running a mile or two in your spare time, you will have a little more motivation to quit. After all, it is going to be hard to run long distances if you keep smoking. You also might want to reconsider the health risks of smoking. You are not the only person to say this. Another thing to consider is that many smokers increase the amount they smoke over time. So while you may be at a half of a pack right now, that could change over time. As for substitutions, you were still saving 10 dollars a week by candy as a replacement. That is a start. Good luck!


*Yours truly,
Chanty*

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SATURDAY

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SUNDAY

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Low: 53°




MONDAY

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High: 65°
Low: 51°



TUESDAY

Rain
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Low: 44°



WEDNESDAY

Rain
High: 54°
Low: 31°

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

JSU winter guard is front and center

Brett Thornburg
Special to The Chanticleer

Jacksonville State University has always been known for their outstanding performing arts programs. This is no exception with Center Stage Winter Guard. Center Stage has been an award winning tradition of Jacksonville State since 1998 thanks to founder and co-director Rodney Bailey. Bailey has a large history with color guard performing arts. His credentials include 11 seasons directing Center Stage along with directing winter guards across the country spanning as far as Arizona. He is also the color

guard coordinator for The Marching Southerners. Bailey, along with the members of Center Stage anxiously await the unveiling performance of their 2016 program, “As it is in Heaven.” Center Stage’s top tier performances are always a spectacle to behold. This is due to Center Stage’s secret weapon: originality. “One thing we pride ourselves on here is that we try not imitate anyone,” says Bailey. “I want to make sure that what I do is as unique as possible.” This strive to set themselves apart shows, as Center Stage’s 2016 program is “probably the longest pro-

gram that we’ve ever tried to do here,” according to Bailey, with a performance time of over 5 minutes. Center Stage is not just a household name, however. The performance ensemble also prides itself on their wide-spread recognition in the Winter Guard International circuit. Center Stage has spanned all 3 divisions of WGI, performing in Independent A Class, Independent Open Class, and Independent World Class. It is this prominent presence in the WGI community that caught the attention of freshman Savannah Couch. “I discovered [Center Stage] my sophomore year of high

school, and they were my main deciding factor of coming to JSU.” Couch, having 4 years of experience in high school winter guard enjoys the practice and performing environment of Center Stage because “they hold you at a higher standard. It’s like we come together as one big family.” Even once the last toss is caught, it doesn’t end there. Performing with Center Stage can bring forth amazing opportunities for those who are passionate about the performing arts. Just ask Ellie Kennedy. Kennedy, a second year veteran of Center Stage, performing in 2014 and currently 2016, was able

to educate others who enjoy winter guard. “Bailey informed me of a position for a choreographer at Helena High School in Birmingham. I got to work with them last year and again this year for the ’16 season.” Being a member of an organization like this opens up many teaching opportunities. Center Stage prepares to perform their first show at Fort Oglethorpe High School on January 30th. They are also scheduled to perform at the Nashville Regional, Pensacola Regional, and Atlanta Regional, along with looking at competing the WGI World Championships held in Dayton, Ohio.

JSU FAN Club welcomes all super fans

Matt Hill
Staff Reporter

Jacksonville State University has many different types of clubs that are available to students. These clubs vary so much that there is at least one that a student would be interested in. One club that students enjoy is the JSU FAN Club. Perhaps unheard of by the general student population, there is a club specifically designed for all types of fandoms—everything from Doctor Who to Pokémon. The JSU FAN (Fandom Association Network) Club, originally known as the Doctor Who Club, is under the sponsorship of JSU history professor, Llewellyn Cook. The president of this club is student, Tiffany Strickland. The JSU FAN Club is roughly a two-year old organization, and it has grown in those two years. After some initial meetings, the veteran members and leadership quickly realized that new members were interested in other fandoms besides Doctor Who; therefore, the name change resulted in attracting more members. The purpose of the

club is to provide a hangout spot where all the “nerds” of the campus can get together to enjoy some epic discussions about whose fandom is better or if they should trade that Pikachu for a Staryu. Last year, the club hosted a Harry Potter party complete with Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone and magical-themed treats. “It really makes me proud to see them all making new friends and experiencing new adventures and hobbies, and it makes me immensely happy to be a part of it,” said club president, Tiffany Strickland. During the semester, the club hosts many different events—video game tournaments, cosplay events, and potlucks. The club even organizes special trips to conventions in Alabama and Georgia. One upcoming trip the club is considering attending is AnniCon in Anniston on February 6. Tiffany Strickland, the club’s current president, has big goals for the club. Strickland hopes to include the club in more events and fundraisers around campus. Last year, the club participated in

the Delta Zeta Turtle Tug event and worked closely with the other clubs. According to Strickland, one of the most exciting parts about the club is the cosplay. Cosplay is a performance art derived from the words “costume” and “play.” One usually builds or sews his or her costume based on his or her favorite character from an anime, video game, or movie. The members will then debut their creations. The club’s first few meetings are usually attended by twenty people, but the club gains popularity throughout the semester and averages around fifty members at the last few meetings. Overall, Strickland and the rest of the club’s council aim to achieve an environment where all fellow “nerds” can come together and be themselves. Whether it be through a television show or movie, this club has something for everyone and is a great place for freshmen who need somewhere to fit in. Potential members can find a booth for the club at Orientation and Freshman Convocation for more information.



Photo Above: Megan Wyrick (left), Elizabeth Neese (middle), and president Tiffany Strickland (right) show off their costumes at a club meeting.



Photo Left: Several members of the JSU FAN Club gather in to take a photograph while dressed in costumes of characters they enjoy.

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Popular and upcoming shows on Netflix

Tabitha Rayburn
Special to The Chanticleer

The semester is in full swing and with that comes the wonders of Netflix. Netflix still has the same popular shows that everyone can enjoy, but with the new year, it has added more seasons and new shows. The binge website is only getting better.

As of right now, some of the most popular shows on Netflix

consist of Making a Murderer, New Girl, Arrow, Avengers Assemble, and Parks and Recreation according to complex.com. However, there are many more.

These popular shows are good for late nights and study breaks. The show Arrow takes a spoiled rich boy and leaves him on a deadly island for 5 years. The Green Arrow is born and these are his adventures. Avengers Assemble is an ani-

mated show about the amazing Avengers and the adventures they go through to beat up bad guys. According to imdb.com, Parks and Recreation is a show that stars a quirky cast in Indiana who want to make plans to make their town a better place. It includes actors such as Amy Poehler, Jim O’Heir, and Nick Offerman.

There are new shows that appeal to all different age groups. There will even be a couple

of kids’ shows that will be released on the website. Two of these shows are Turbo Fast (Season 3) and Care Bears & Cousins (Season 2). There are also a lot of Disney movies that are on Netflix.

TV shows are not the only things that have been improved for 2016. Movies of all kinds have been added to the website. There are comedies and horror films such as House of Wax, and action movies that are set to

release throughout the year.

One TV show that is getting a lot of attention is Fuller House. It is a reboot for the well known show Full House. This has sparked a lot of interest in college-aged students and the older generation.

Netflix is constantly changing the show completion from year to year, some lesser known shows get boot-

ed, to make way for shows that can possibly shine better. This coming February, Netflix will be introducing a flood of some amazing Netflix Originals according to whats-on-netflix.com.

The variety of genres, the widespread target audience, and the consistent influx of new television shows and movies can be great for families. Netflix is entertaining for almost everyone. Netflix is a website that is full of television shows and movies keep people interested.

Artists set to release new albums this year

Ray Martinez
Special to the Chanticleer

Countless great artists pushed out great albums in 2015, making it a wonderful year for music. One can only hope that this new year will be as great, musically, as last year was. With much-anticipated albums such as Adele’s 25, Drake’s If You’re Reading This It’s Too Late, Zac Brown Band’s Jekyll + Hyde, Justin Bieber’s Purpose, and Kendrick Lamar’s To Pimp a Butterfly being released, that’s exactly how it will be.

While it’s too early in the year to know about every album coming out, there are already a few scheduled releases that are worth keeping an eye – or an ear – out for. Earlier this month, a tweet came out of the @kanyewest twitter account reading, “new album title, WAVES,” informing the public that Kanye West is finally releasing an album that has been two years in the making. It is set to release in February. Kanye recently uploaded “No More Parties in LA” on SoundCloud, a track featuring one of the hottest names in hip-hop today, Kendrick

Lamar. Judging from this track and previews of other songs already released for the album, one can expect WAVES to be more reminiscent of older Kanye.

While Kanye West’s new album will be getting plenty of big-time media coverage, there are several more albums announced for this year that are definitely worth anticipating. 50 Cent, Wiz Khalifa, Macklemore & Ryan Lewis, and a few other big names in hip-hop also have albums coming out this year, although no release dates have been announced.

Panic! at the Disco just released their latest album, Death of a Bachelor, on the 15 of this month. Many still have those memories of blasting Panic! at the Disco through their speakers during their high school days. Panic! isn’t the only nostalgia-inducing band still making music, though.

Simple Plan is releasing an album named Taking One for the Team on February 19. For rock fans of different types, there’s also good news.

Artists and bands like Elton John, 3 Doors Down, Asking Alexandria, and Weezer

are also scheduled to release wonderful new music this year. Not only are both Panic! at the Disco and Weezer pushing out new music this year, but they are co-heading a summer tour as well with dates already announced from July to August. Weezer’s new album, Weezer, is set to drop April 1.

Country music fans also have much to look forward to this year. Hank Williams Jr. recently put out a new album, It’s About Time, earlier this month, but “Bocephus” isn’t the only country legend releasing an album this year. Country music all-star Loretta Lynn is releasing her first album in twelve years titled Full Circle, expected to launch March 4 of this year.

While Loretta Lynn and Hank Williams Jr. are some of the biggest names in classic country music, the more modern names in the genre also have new material coming out this year. Big time country artists such as Brad Paisley, Blake Shelton, Keith Urban, Jason Aldean, Florida Georgia Line, and The Band Perry are all coming out with new albums this year but have yet to set a date.



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OPINION & EDITORIAL

Alabama legislators revive lottery talk

Kevin Spann
Political Columnist

Republican State Senator Jim McClendon has written a lottery proposal calling for a simple yes or no vote to be placed on the 2016 electoral ballot.

The proposal, however, will not mark what the lottery funds would be spent on.

It would merely determine whether voters would be comfortable with the legislature establishing some sort of lottery.

Democrat Craig Ford, who has introduced failing lottery legislation for years, has spoken out against this tactic.

Ford has argued that legislatures should make it clear what potential funds would go toward, rather than giving the legislature a blank check.

Ford has also pointed out the irony of Republicans in essence, saying that voters can trust the state government to use the funds wisely; this was one of their attacks against previous lottery proposals.

Ford has thus pledged to file a counter bill specifying that lottery funds go toward state scholarships.

Due to the dismal number of Democrats in both of Alabama's state houses, if push comes to shove, Ford's bill is unlikely to win out.

An education lottery similar to the one in Georgia has been a white whale for Alabama Democrats since the late 1990s.

As the state's revenues have repeatedly come up short compared to the state's expenditures, a number of Republicans have begun to soften their stance on the issue.

As recently as last year, Del Marsh, the Republican President Pro Tempore of the State Senate,

opened the door to considering the expansion of Indian casinos and dog tracks. However, such talk seems to have halted. Don Siegelman, the last Democrat to occupy the governor's mansion, successfully pushed for an education lottery to be placed on the ballot in 1999.

Despite the lottery proposal being a key issue of his election, when put before the voters, the measure failed by over 100,000 votes.

The measure came up short for various reasons. The concept of legalizing gambling offended some religious voters.

Others felt that if the lottery came up short on funds, the state would be forced to pay the difference. Some speculated that political allies of the governor would profit from administering the lottery.

Since the proposal's failure, virtually every prominent Democrat in the state has sought to try again. Given the pathetic shape of the state's Democratic Party, one could even argue that the lottery is their last remaining issue that resonates with voters who are not already committed Democrats.

This debate, like previous ones, may also end up being much ado about nothing, given that Republicans have not yet united around McClendon's proposal.

Before the proposal even came forward, State Senator Shay Shel-nutt had already announced his intentions to put an early end to any lottery or gambling talk in the coming session.

State Representative Rich Wingo has also signaled that he will oppose any gambling legislation on religious grounds. Meanwhile, power players like Gov. Robert Bentley, Senator Marsh and Representative Hubbard, have yet to take any stance on the proposal.

Critics debate NBA hacking strategy

Nathan Cavitt
Staff Reporter

Sports commentators have recently revived the debate on whether to change the NBA rule for repeatedly fouling a player and sending him to the free throw line.

This is mostly due to Detroit Piston's star center Andre Drummond. Drummond broke the record for missed free throws on January 20 when he missed 23 of 36 attempts at the line. Hall of Famer Wilt Chamberlain held the previous record since 1967 with 22 misses.

Trailing by 9 points, the Houston Rockets resorted to intentionally fouling Drummond, who currently ranks as the worst free throw shooter in the NBA. "Hack-a-Drummond" it was called.

This was not the first time such a strategy had been used. The same tactic was used on Shaquille O'Neil—hence the term "Hack-a-Shaq" was devised due to the rhyme scheme.

"Hack-a-Shaq," or "Hack-a-whoever," was a way in which opposing teams could take advantage of a player's poor shooting in order to gain an advantage.

So whenever the other team was on offence, the strategy was simply to foul the poor shooter.

Many have called for a rule change. I disagree. In my opinion, the rule is fine as is, though I have never been a fan of intentionally fouling for whatever reason.

The NBA shouldn't change its rule because a player can't make free throws. It's a part of the game—an important part at that.

The four players with the lowest

free throw percentages are: Andre Drummond with an astounding 35 percent, Deandre Jordan with 41 percent, Hassan Whiteside with 54 percent and Dwight Howard with 55 percent, according to NBA.com

Their free throws shots are often ugly, foul things—a shot with little form or arc; a brick would be the more appropriate term.

Perhaps instead of a rule change, the poor free throw shooters should work on their shot.

However, the fouling strategy is nearly as ugly as the shots which ensue. No one likes seeing constant free throws, especially when many cascade off the edge off the rim or backboard, or even miss the basket entirely.

It's not something that is easy to understand. All four of the lower ranking players are good players, maybe even great players.

There is no reason these shots should be missed, and yet they miss them.

Perhaps it is the pressure of having all those people watching; maybe it is a bad breakfast or the need for a nap. Regardless, it is something which hurts the NBA image.

Yet the rule should not change. Mostly because there is not a lot that can be changed to make the game better.

Neither should NBA commissioner Adam Silver speak on the debate, unless it is a quiet word to the owners of the teams with the struggling free throw shooters.

Basketball courts are there for more than just games. We're talking about practice. Practice those shots and no more ugly games. No more hacking strategies.

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year pre-engineering program that will permit the majority of students to transfer with junior standing to most undergraduate engineering programs at other colleges and universities."

In an interview with department head Terry Marbut, he discussed the careers of future students. Marbut said most graduates go to work in manufacturing companies in engineering, or they hired for management positions.

According to the department's Facebook page, individuals in this particular field can make anywhere from \$19-40 an hour, or \$91,613-115,822 in salary payment.

All of these estimates are calculated by averaging salaries and wages

from across the country.

Based on these statistics, the opportunity for a high income is very high in this field.

"We have several graduates that function at director, plant manager, vice president or president levels in manufacturing," said Marbut.

A recent graduate is now in charge of all safety at Honda Manufacturing of Alabama, and another held several positions of increasing responsibility with Honeywell before becoming CEO of Wencor Corporation, he said.

One of the most well-known graduates of the program is Bill "Bubba" Bussey, half of the "Rick and Bubba" radio show.

Some of the projects that are currently in progress

are updating the rappelling tower and creating a new "controls system toolkit."

The rappelling tower is being renovated up to current safety codes. This is one of the first projects the department is working on as part of their advanced restructuring of the manufacturing support center.

By creating the "controls system toolkit" Jacksonville State University is helping strengthen cyber security in northeast Alabama, and potentially elsewhere.

Not only does this department prepare students for a future in their career field, but these students are already impacting the world of engineering today.

There is a student chapter for this department, the Association for Technology, Management,

and Applied Engineering.

People who are familiar with the team refer to them as the JSU ATMAE Robotics Team.

These students actively engage in service-learning activities throughout the school year by providing support for VEX robotics in preschool through 12th grade schools across the region. The department is the host of the Alabama State VEX Robotics Championships.

The event occurs on campus in March of each year. Each member of the student organization plays a key role in that effort as well.

Selected members of the organization are invited to serve at the VEX World Competition in April. Other members of the organization are part of the robotics

team that competes at the ATMAE national conference each year.

JSU has finished first in the nation two times in the past five years.

The applied engineering department has a resume that consists of a wide variety of programs and holds the title of VEX World Competition host.

The programs under the applied engineering department range from traditional engineering that focuses primarily on research, to the development of new technologies.

These programs teach students to integrate existing technologies while simultaneously solving problems in order to improve the processing abilities of equipment.

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Gamecocks Side Bar

JSU Upcoming Action

- 1/28**
-Men’s Basketball vs Belmont
7 p.m.
- 1/29**
-Women’s Tennis at South Ala-
bama 2 p.m.
- Men’s Tennis at South
Alabama 2 p.m.
- 1/30**
-Women’s Tennis vs
Presbyterian 9 a.m.
- Men’s Tennis vs UAH 10 a.m.
- Women’s basketball vs
Tennessee State 2 p.m.
- Men’s Basketball vs
Tennessee State 4:30 p.m.
- Rifle at Withrow Invitational
- Rifle vs Morehead State

- 2/1**
-Men’s Golf at Sea Best
Invitational

- 2/2**
-Men’s Golf at Sea Best
Invitational

OVC Basketball Standing

Men's Standings			
School	OVC Overall		
East			
Belmont	7-0	15-6	
Tennessee State	5-1	14-5	
Tennessee Tech	6-2	14-7	
Morehead State	4-3	10-9	
Jacksonville State	4-4	8-15	
Eastern Kentucky	3-4	12-10	
West			
Murray State	4-3	10-10	
Eastern Illinois	4-4	7-13	
UT Martin	2-4	10-11	
Austin Peay	2-5	9-13	
SEMO	1-6	4-16	
SIUE	1-7	4-16	

Women’s Standings			
School	OVC Overall		
SIUE	7-1	12-9	
UT Martin	5-1	12-7	
Belmont	5-2	13-7	
Austin Peay	5-2	7-13	
SEMO	5-3	12-9	
Eastern Kentucky	4-2	10-8	
Tennessee State	4-3	9-11	
Tennessee Tech	3-5	7-14	
Morehead State	2-5	8-13	
Murray State	2-5	6-12	
Jacksonville State	2-6	7-13	
Eastern Illinois	0-8	1-19	

NCAA Rifle Standing CRCA Top 20

1. West Virginia
2. Murray State
3. Kentucky
4. TCU
5. Alaska
6. Air Force
7. Ohio State
8. Nebraska
9. Memphis
10. North Carolina State
11. Army
12. Jacksonville State
13. Nevada
14. Navy
15. Ole Miss
16. Akron
17. UTEP
18. Morehead State
19. North Georgia
20. UT Martin



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LEFT: Greg tucker scored all nine of his second half free throws to help lift the gamecocks over Morehead State. RIGHT: Erik Durham scored 20 points in Saturday’s win in Morehead, Ky.

Men win in snowy conditions

Timothy Cash
Sports Editor

Despite having to postpone Saturday’s match up until Sunday because of a blizzard in Morehead, Ky., the Gamecocks (8-15, 4-4 OVC) came home with a 78-74 win over Morehead State (10-9, 4-3 OVC).

Jacksonville State came into the match up on a 2-1 run after losing to Murray State.

A 14-point victory over Southeast Missouri State, followed by a 22-point victory of UT Martin before loosing by 3 to Eastern Kentucky showed that Jacksonville State still had some life left in them.

Malcolm Drumwright scored the first point for Jacksonville State.

A foul by the Eagles’ Ronnyne Beamon sent Drumwright to the line where he was able to knock on down.

Morehead State would then take the lead with a layup by Anthony Elechi.

This one-point lead would be the only lead the Eagles would have in the contest.

Erik Durham would regain the lead for the Gamecocks with a good shot from beyond the arch.

Jax State had a comfortable lead going into half time 41-28, and had as much as a 20-point lead during the half.

Before heading to the locker rooms, the Gamecocks boasted a 58.3 field goal shooting percent, a monstrous 71.4 three-point field goal percent and a solid 50 free-throw percent.

Durham was six for seven attempts in field goals, and five for six at three-point attempts.

Morehead State came out of the locker rooms refreshed and ready to play.

They began to slowly chip away at the Gamecocks lead, and brought the game within one with an Elechi free-throw 62-61 with 4:25 left in the

contest.

Greg Tucker and the Gamecocks would not give up, however.

Despite only being two for three in field goal shooting during the second half, he was able to make all nine of his second half free throws to keep Jacksonville State alive in the match up.

With a minute left in regulation the Gamecocks were up by eight.

Morehead State’s Xavier Moon and Lyonell Gaines and Elechi tried to battle back to force an overtime opportunity, but the defense played by Jacksonville State proved to be too much. The Gamecocks won by four, 78-74.

Tucker had 24 points; he was 9-5 on field goal attempted, 4-3 on three point field goals attempted and was 13-11 on free throw attempts.

Tucker also had two defensive rebounds.

Durham had 20 points; he was 7-9 on field goals

attempted, and 8-6 on three point field goals attempted.

Andre Statam had 11 points; he was 6-4 on field goals attempted, and was 5-3 on three point field goals attempted.

Jeremy Watson was 4-4 on free throws attempted.

He also had three offensive rebounds and six defensive rebounds.

Drumwright had 13 points and was 8-5 on free throw attempts.

Christian Cunningham had one offensive rebound and had two defensive rebounds.

Darion Rackley made all four of his free throws attempted.

Jared Hamilton had two defensive rebounds.

The Gamecocks return home to face Belmont on Thursday January 28th, at 7 p.m.

They will then face Tennessee State on Saturday January 30th at 4:30 p.m. at Pete Mathews Coliseum.

JSU’s women lose to Morehead State

Rebekah Hawkins
Staff Reporter

Despite a close game throughout, the JSU women couldn’t quite hold on and lost to the Eagles of Morehead State 67-63.

Gretchen Morrison led the night for the Gamecocks with her 23 points, while Tyler Phelion was behind her with 16.

The Gamecocks made over 50 percent of their free throw attempts and were able to score 22 of their 63 points off of Morehead State turnovers.

The Gamecocks came out ready to play.

They jumped out early with the first points of the game and were up by seven early at 10-3.

MSU was quick to prove that they were not to be outdone and began closing the gap between the teams.

A few scores brought them out to eight but the Gamecocks kept their scor-

ing steady and were back up by seven again moments later at 15-8.

However, that was the end of the Gamecocks’ first quarter scoring as MSU started with a free throw and several buckets later were ahead 18-15 as the first quarter closed.

If the first quarter belonged to the Gamecocks, the second was all Eagles.

JSU was within three only once in the second when the score was 20-17.

Seven points later MSU was at 27 and JSU still sat at 17.

As the clock wound down to 4:08, a layup by Chloe Long broke the dry spell and cut MSU’s lead to eight.

Two free throws by Kelly Naughton and a bucket by Courtney Strain and suddenly the Gamecocks were only down by four at 27-23.

MSU took off on a 10-point scoring run and closed the half ahead by 14 at 37-23.

Gretchen Morrison



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Gretchen Morrison (left) and Tyler Phelion (right) combined to score 39 points in the Gamecocks’ loss to Morehead State.

came out of halftime with a vengeance.

She started with a jumper and three-pointer early to cut MSU’s lead to nine.

After the Eagles went back up by 11, Morrison made another two three-point shots that brought MSU’s lead down to five.

A layup by Briana Benson and a three-pointer from Destiny James tied the score at 39.

The score was tied again moments later at 41 and again at 43

with 2:17 left in the third.

The Gamecocks closed the half in the lead 47-45.

The final quarter opened with a quick jumper from the Eagles that tied the score again, this time at 47.

The Eagles inched the score up and were up by four at 52-48 with eight minutes left in the game.

JSU cut it to two after Briana Benson’s layup but MSU were quickly back up by four.

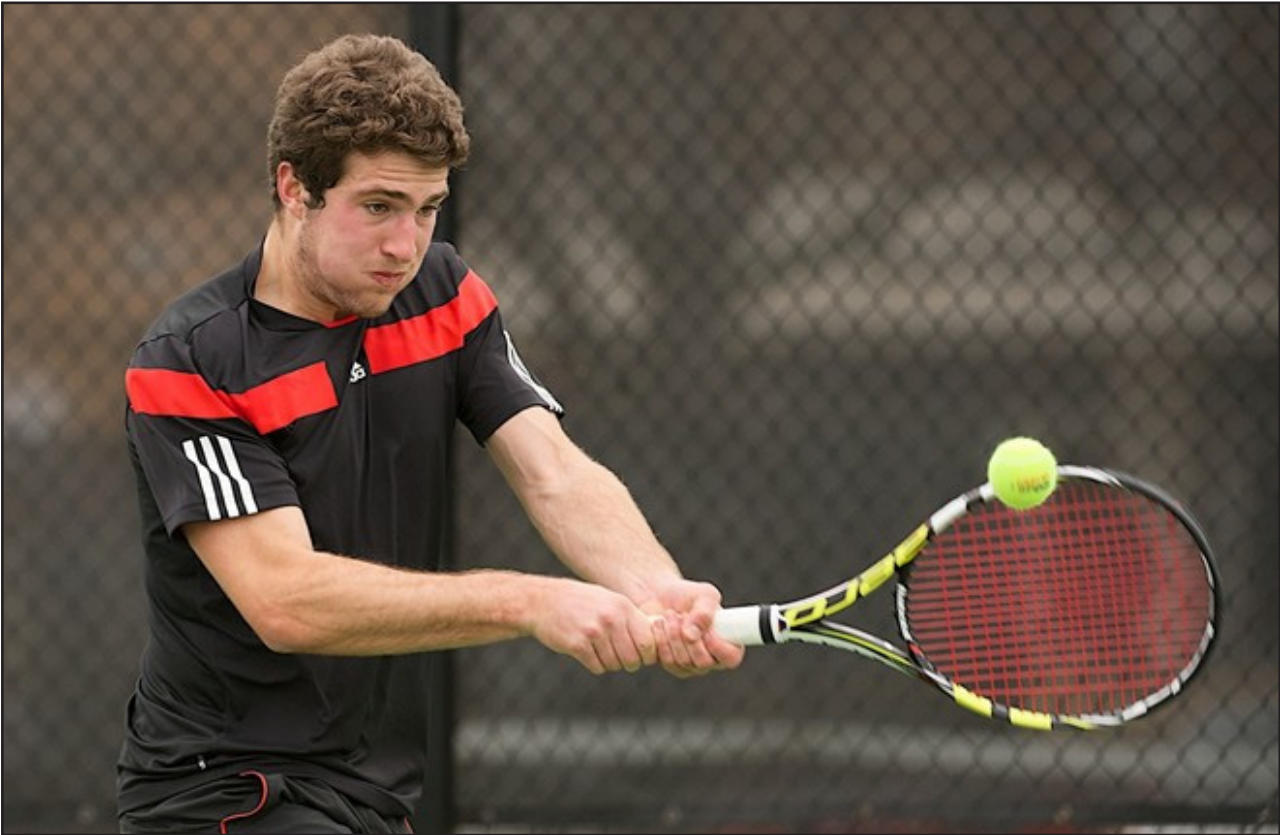
Morrison once

again made a three-pointer that cut the lead to one.

The Gamecocks kept the lead low as the Eagles only got back out to six once before Long and Morrison had brought it back down to one.

The score sat at 60-59 with the Eagles barely in the lead and less than three minutes left to play.

The Gamecocks managed four more but it was the Eagles who took the close win 67-63.



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LEFT: Mathias Cham won the top singles spot over ASU. ABOVE: Austin McCormick won four straight sets.

Men’s tennis tops Alcorn State

HATTIESBURG, Miss. – The Jacksonville State men’s tennis team closed out the Southern Miss Invitational on Sunday with a 6-1 win over Alcorn State to finish the opening weekend of the season with a pair of wins.

The play of freshmen

Liu Shao Chun and Rarael Lowande caught the attention of first-year head coach Andres Amores. Shao Chun completed the weekend spotless in singles play after turning in his third win of the season on Sunday with a 6-2, 6-4 win over

ASU’s Kilian Salgado. He also posted a 3-1 mark in doubles play with Lowande. The rookie duo collected their third win together after topping Kilian Salgado and Y. Yarbarough. Lowande made quick work of Yarbarough in sin-

gles with a 6-0, 6-0 win at No. 6. Mathias Chaim recorded a win at the top singles spot over ASU’s Nikita Kostikov, 6-3, 6-2. Austin McCormick aided in JSU’s win with a straight sets win at No. 4. Newcomer Vinicio

Hadlich finished off the scoring with a three set win at No. 3 over Vasudev Vijayaraman. Hadlich won the opening set before dropping the second set to force a 10-9 third set win.

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Women’s tennis earn first win over WCU

HATTIESBURG, Miss. – For the second consecutive day, the Jacksonville State men’s and women’s tennis teams battled cold temperatures and high winds on the second day of the Southern Miss Invitational in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. The Gamecock women

earned their first win of the season with a 4-3 decision over William Carey University. JSU bounced back after a slow start in doubles with the Crusaders taking wins at No. 2 and 3 respectively to clinch the first point of the match.

The momentum changed for the Gamecocks in singles after junior Diana Mirceta regrouped from dropping the first set, 6-2, to WCU’s Nataliia Baliaeva. Mirceta claimed the second set, 6-2, to force a third-and-deciding set. The Hamilton, Canada-

native staved off multiple match points to seal the win in the third set, 7-6. Sophomore Genevieve Ulanday picked up her second singles win of the season with a 6-2, 6-4 win over Alexia Rycroft at No. 3. Sadey St. Amant also

won her second singles win in a row at No. 4 after taking down WCU’s Gloria Kaufman, 6-3, 6-2. Sophomore Courtney Conley clinched the win for JSU at No. 5 after a 7-6, 7-6 win against Mathilde Rinderknech.

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Thompson performs at the Arkansas State Invitational

JONESBORO, Ark. – The Jacksonville State women’s track and field team continued its improvement this weekend at the Arkansas State Invitational in Jonesboro, Arkansas. Highlighting Jax State’s two days in the event was sophomore sprinter Kayla Thompson as the Brandon, Mississippi two-sport athlete posted a pair of top-10

finishes over the weekend. Thompson, also a member of the JSU soccer team, started the weekend with the fifth-best qualifying time in women’s 55 meter dash. She returned to the track in the finals to claim eighth with a time of 7.28. Thompson collected her second top-10 finish on Saturday in the women’s 200 meter run.

She crossed the finish line in 25.57 to claim ninth place. Jax State had a solid weekend in field events, led by Erica Edwards’ bronze finish in the women’s high jump. Edwards was five meters off the top jump of 1.66 meters turned in by ASU’s Ivory Guyton. In the pole vault, Samantha Patterson turned in another top-10 finish with a

leap of 3.50 meters. JSU’s Blake Perry finished fourth in the women’s triple jump with a jump of 11.46 meters. In other events, JSU’s Loren Moorer finished in the top-15 of the 400 meter dash with a mark of 1L00.20. Moorer also claimed a top-20 placement in the 200 meter run after a time

of 26.56. Dayja Simon also was a top-10 performer in the 800 meter run with a time of 2:29.46 to claim ninth place. Briana Jackson finished 17th with a mark of 2:35.86 in the event. JSU returns to action in two weeks, traveling to Carbondale, Illinois to compete in the Southern Illinois Invitational on February 5.

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